



January 2004 Meeting

Gerry E. Studds **Stellwagen Bank National Marine
Sanctuary
Management Plan Review**

Vessel Strike Working Group - Draft Agenda

Date: 13 January 2004
Location: 11th Floor, Healey Library, University of
 Massachusetts at Boston

TIME	TOPICS AND OBJECTIVES
9:30-9:45	•Welcome & Introductions -Round Robin (Name, Affiliation, Background, and Interests) Discussion Leader: Mason Weinrich
9:45-10:30	Why Are We Here - Status of the Management Plan Review - The Working Group Process - Mechanics, Responsibilities, and Decision Making - Purpose and Structure of an Action Plan - How Does the Action Plan Fit into the Draft Management Plan? Objective: Familiarize working group members with the management plan review process and the how's and why's of the working group. Discussion Leader: Dave Wiley
10:30-11:15	Vessel Strikes of Whales: What We Know So Far Presenter: Amy Knowlton, New England Aquarium
11:15-12:00	• Whale Responses To Vessels - What do we know, what can we count on?

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	Presenter: Peter Tyack, WHOI
12:00-12:20	• Vessel Strikes in the SBNMS Presenter: Dave Wiley, SBNMS
12:20-12:45	• Distribution of Whales in the SBNMS in relation to the Vessel Strike Issue Presenter: Dave Wiley, SBNMS
12:45-1:30	• LUNCH
1:30-3:15	• Industry Updates: Current Use Levels, Trends, and Issues (15 minute presentations) Presenters: Bill Eldridge, Peabody Lane Shipping, Commercial Shipping Brad Wellock, MassPort, Shipping in Boston Harbor Rick Nolan, Boston Harbor Crusies, High speed Passenger Transportation Andy Glynn, General Category Tuna Assoc., Tuna Fishing Mike Bartlett, B-Fast Charters, Charter Boat Traffic Mike Prew, Captain John Boats, Commercial Whale-Watching
3:15--3:30	• Trends in Whale Watch Vessel Speeds Discussion Leader: Dave Wiley, SBNMS
3:30-4:30	•Discussion: Next Steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Data Needs - Next Steps - Meeting Schedule/Timeline - Agenda for Next Meeting Discussion Leader: Mason Weinrich